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- 1. DURING COURTESY CALL NOVEMBER 3 ON CHAIRMAN RAZIQ OF WAPDA, I EXPLORED WITH HIM PLANS FOR HIS VISIT TO U.S. FOLLOWING EMERGED.
- 2. BECAUSE OF DELAY IN CONCLUDING STUDIES ON TARBELA, WHICH HE HOPES TO REVIEW WITH COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY, RAZIQ NOW EXPECTS TO ARRIVE IN U.S. DECEMBER 9, FOLLOWING MEETING (UNIDENTIFIED) IN GRENOBLE, FRANCE. HE EXPECTS TO BE WITH CSU REPRESENTATIVES DECEMBER 9, 10 AND 11; WITH CORPS OF ENGINEERS (DENVER?) ON DECEMBER 11; AND IN NEW YORK, DECEMBER 13-16 FOR MEETINGS WITH TAMS, CONSULTANTS ON TARBELA. HE THEN WILL ATTEND WORLD BANK MEETING IN WASHINGTON ON DECEMBER 17.
- 3. FOLLOWING WORLD BANK MEETING RAZIQ WILL HAVE SEVERAL DAYS AVAILABLE FOR VISITS TO SITES AROUND U.S. AND CONSULTATION WITH AMERICAN FIRMS, SUCH AS LISTED PARA 1, REF (B). IN PARTICULAR, HE MENTIONED HIS INTEREST IN BEING IN CONTACT WITH STAGG SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER SCIENCES CORPORATION, IN CONNECTION WITH WAPDA POWER UNCLASSIFIED

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CONTROL PROJECT, AND ALLIS-CHALMERS, IN CONNECTION WITH

MANGLA DAM EXTENSION PROJECT (ISLAMABAD 11036 AND 11111). IN RESPONSE TO MY QUERY HE SAID HE WOULD VERY MUCH WELCOME VISIT TO TVA IF THAT COULD BE ARRANGED. RAZIQ SAID HE COULD REMAIN IN U.S. UNTIL CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS MAKE SCHEDULING OF VISITS IMPRACTICAL.

- 4. RE PARA 3, REF (B), WAPDA SOURCE INFORMS US THAT TRIP IS BEING FUNDED BY WORLD BANK.
- 5. RAZIQ SAID THIS WOULD BE HIS FIRST VISIT TO
 U.S. IN HIS PRESENT CAPACITY. HE APPEARED VERY ENTHUSIASTIC
 OVER PROSPECTS OF VISITING CONSULTANTS, FIRMS AND SITES
 INVOLVED IN WATER AND POWER DEVELOPMENT AND IN RENEWING
 ASSOCIATIONS WITH AMERICANS HE HAD PREVIOUSLY MET
 ABROAD. HE DID SAY THAT WHEN IN WASHINGTN HE WILL STAY
 AT THE HOME OF BERNARD CHADENET, VICE PRESIDENT OF WORLD
 BANK, AND HOPES TO HAVE A DAY FOR SIGHTSEEING THERE. ALSO
 RE PARA 3, REF (B), RAZIQ SAID HE HAS NO RELATIVES IN
 U.S., BUT PLANS TO SEE A BROTHER WHO LIVES IN ENGLAND
 WHILE HE IS IN FRANCE EN ROUTE TO U.S.

6. WOULD APPRECIATE ANYTHING USDOC CAN DO TO HELP COORDINATE PLANS FOR RAZIQ'S VISIT AND POSSIBLY ORGANIZE TRIP TO TVA.

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